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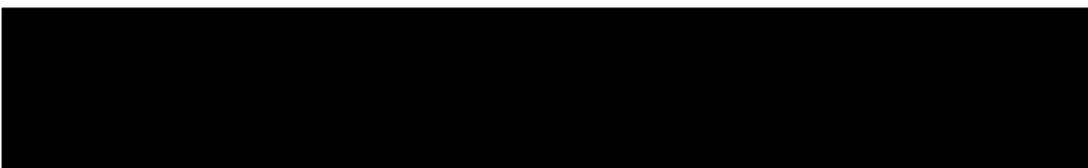
Technical Analysis of New Method for Using Perchlor  
in Dry Cleaning as Developed by Chemische Fabrik  
Stockhausen & Cie

Krefeld

13-22 Jul 53

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1. On 6 Jul 53, two of our most competent chemical engineers visited Chemische Fabrik Stockhausen & Cie, Krefeld to investigate a new dry cleaning process. Following their visit they submitted the following report to me:

"[---] will report fully on the technical aspects of the new ways for use of Perchlor in dry cleaning which we found out Stockhausen has developed. Dr R Hess gave us very good information.

"It seems as if the Stockhausen approach to dry cleaning, used throughout in Germany, as it appears, has not reached the US in the present form. In case we find the Stockhausen products interesting for US conditions it is agreed with Dr Hess that the next step is to negotiate a deal whereby we would get the right to manufacture and sell the Stockhausen products in the US. The chance that we would be interested in importing the chemicals from Germany is very small due to the fact that the basic raw materials, such as polyphosphates, are cheaper in the US than in Germany. The German price is about DM 1.80 per kg polyphosphates with a content of 60% P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>. Such polyphosphates are made by Chemische Werke Albert and a few others in Germany.

"I am of the impression that the attached report will bring new light upon dry cleaning in the US or show that drastically different dry cleaning needs exist in the two countries."

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ENCLOSURE: Technical Analysis of New Method for use of Perchlor in Dry Cleaning.

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